

The Board of Trustees of Everett Community College held a special meeting on December 14, 2021 via Zoom.

Board Vice Chair Bob Bolerjack called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Briefing by the President

Dr. Willis gave a shout out to the team who worked on the strategic plan which Dr. Esposito will present tonight. This work has equity at the center for our institution and she is very proud of what the college and community has done together to complete this work. The leadership team is discussing operational plans for linking back to priorities in the strategic plan. Will continue to update work and show accreditation for NWCCU.

Roll call

Present for the meeting were Trustees, Toraya Miller, Bob Bolerjack, Jerry Martin, Dr. Betty Cobbs and Kelly Shepherd. Also present were President Dr. Daria Willis, Executive Assistant to the President Rita Belvill, Assistant Attorney General Leanne Foster, staff, administrators, and community members.

Action Items

A. Review and take action on EvCC's Strategic Plan 2022-2027. Charting a Path Forward to Equity.

Phyllis Esposito presented the plan. She said there was a small but mighty team and gave special recognition to her Executive Assistant Lisa Corner who gave tremendous support for the project. The team was given the charge to get it done by 2021. Dr. Willis has confidence in the college's ability to get it done which kept the team on pace.

MOTION 01-12-2021 Chair Toraya Miller moved for approval of EvCC's Strategic Plan. Trustee Jerry Martin seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously

Board Comments

All of the Board Members congratulated the team.

Betty Cobbs said it was an impressive piece of work. Remembering back, it had been shared that this would take place and equity would be in the center, to see it unfold is a remarkable process. There are so many good components to it and to think of this happening in one year is unbelievable.

Committee has been on target and impressive that it builds in accountability of the college and measurable outcomes that support students and especially those who are underserved. She applauded the team and said we have something here we can be proud of. The marketing team did a wonderful job on the pamphlet and we have a product that we can share with others.

Toraya Miller said Wow! remembering when the trustees put the charge to get it done and here we are at the finish line and it looks phenomenal. Our students will benefit and they are at the heart of what we do.

Jerry Martin thanked everyone who was part of the end product. This was completed with great transparency setting forth realistic goals and something to work towards. It takes a village and this is an example of what makes us an amazing community college.

Kelly Shepherd stated that she loves seeing the attachment of how we are going to measure. It's a clear vision. It reinforces the good work going forward. It's a multi-year plan and does a good job of sharing and celebrating.

Bob Bolerjack echoed the comments of the other trustees. He said it is a living document and we will continue to learn and grow. This will be great for a roadshow and this can make us stand out as a leader and a strong light to show the community and Snohomish County, that the college has been good at Equity.

B. Review and take action on Acting President.

MOTION 02-12-2021 Chair Toraya Miller read Resolution No. 2021-12-1 Delegation of Authority. Trustee Bob Bolerjack moved to approve the resolution. Kelly Shepherd seconded the motion and motion passed unanimously.

Board Comments

Chair Toraya Miller said on behalf of the board of trustees, we are glad and excited to appoint Joseph Whalen as Acting President. Impressed with Joe's ability to rise to the challenge and the board is excited about the opportunity to work with Joe. Joe thanked the board for the opportunity and said he will uphold the mission they have set forth for the college. Betty said the board is committed to this assignment for Joe and have full support for him.

C. Review and take action on Signature Authority.

MOTION 03-12-2021 Based on action of Acting President, Chair Toraya Miller read Resolution No. 2021-12-2 Delegation of Signature Authority. Trustee Kelly Shepherd moved to approve the resolution. Betty Cobbs seconded the motion and motion passed unanimously

D. Review and Recommendation of Sale of CCEC Property

MOTION 04-12-2021 Shelby Burke read Resolution No. 2021-12-3 Authorizing President to enter into a real estate purchase and sale agreement. Trustee Kelly Shepherd moved to approve the resolution. Bob Bolerjack seconded the motion and motion passed unanimously.5

Executive Session

At 5:50 p.m., Board Vice Chair Bob Bolerjack thanked everyone for coming and shared the Board will convene into an Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. He shared the Executive Session will end at 6:50 p.m. The Board Special Meeting will reconvene at that time and no action will be taken.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned by Board Vice Chair Bob Bolerjack at 6:50 p.m.

Toraya Miller

Toraya Miller, Chair
Board of Trustees

Daria J. Willis, Secretary
Board of Trustees